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PATENT  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Masataka NISHIKAWA et al. ) Confirmation No.: Unassigned  
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Application No.: NEW ) Group Art Unit: Unassigned  
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Filed: February 17, 2006 ) Examiner: Unassigned  
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For: READER FOR IMMUNOCHROMATOGRAPHIC TEST, CARTRIDGE  
APPLICABLE TO THIS, AND SYSTEM FOR EXAMINING  
IMMUNOCHROMATOGRAPHIC TEST PIECE

Commissioner for Patents  
**MAIL STOP PCT**

Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.